

## Heritage Citation



### Launceston

#### Key details

<b>Addresses</b>	At 21 Elston Street, Red Hill, Queensland 4059
<b>Type of place</b>	House
<b>Period</b>	Victorian 1860-1890
<b>Style</b>	Queenslander
<b>Lot plan</b>	L23_RP10695
<b>Key dates</b>	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 July 2002 Date of Citation — June 2007
<b>Construction</b>	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber

<b>People/associations</b>	Sampson Edward Lintern (Occupant)
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<b>Criterion for listing</b>	(A) Historical; (H) Historical association
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‘Launceston’ was constructed circa 1887 for Sampson Edward Lintern who served as an alderman on the Ithaca Shire/Town Council from 1890 until 1907. He became president in 1896 and then served as mayor from 1903 until 1907. He lived in the house until his death in 1917.

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## History

The land on which this house stands was originally part of the 5 acres purchased by the Right Reverend James Quinn in 1865. Quinn subdivided and sold allotments ranging from 8 to 30 perches in the 1860s. Allotments on the western side of Elston Street were sold by the trustees of James Quinn’s estate from 1883. Three allotments at the lower end were bought in November 1884 by John Ryan who sold them to Sampson Lintern in August 1886.

Sampson Lintern, a builder, had separate titles issued for the 15 perch allotments in April 1887 retaining the land on which this house is built for himself. By 1888 all three allotments were built on and occupied by Sampson Lintern, J Purves, watchmaker and CR Wright, master mariner, respectively.

Sampson Edward Lintern lived in this house, until his death on 26 November 1917. He was elected to the Ithaca Shire Council in October 1890 and became president in 1896. He remained president and then mayor (when Ithaca was declared a town in 1903) until 1907. During his time in office, he served on the Finance Committee, Health Committee, Works Committee, and Legislative Committee. It was during his presidency that the Ithaca Council purchased land for permanent headquarters in Enoggera Terrace, and plans for a more prestigious structure mooted. In February 1908, the Ithaca Town Council unanimously recorded its warm appreciation of the services rendered by ex Alderman Lintern during his term as representative of No. 2 Ward extending over a period of 17 years.

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## Description

This residence has weatherboard clad walls and a hipped corrugated iron roof with a separate convex verandah roof. It is a one-storey dwelling raised above ground level on timber stumps, with a cross-braced balustrade verandah wrapping around the front, back and left side of the house. At the back left corner of the house is a pyramid roof, with its gutter height as per the main roof. It emphasises within the building form an outdoor gathering space on the verandah. The entry to the house is via a timber stair on the right end of the front verandah. The entry door is centred within the front wall with sets of casement windows to either side.

A concrete retaining wall runs along the front alignment with the entry to the property on the right corner of the

block. Presently the house is being renovated, with additional rooms being built under the original house.

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## Statement of significance

### Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

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#### Historical

##### CRITERION A

The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history

as an 1880s house that reflects the residential development of Red Hill in the late nineteenth century when it was emerging as a desirable area among the professional middle class.

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#### Historical association

##### CRITERION H

The place has a special association with the life or work of a particular person, group or organization of importance in the city's or local area's history

as a house built for Sampson Edward Lintern, alderman and mayor of the Ithaca Shire/Town Council between 1890 and 1907.

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## References

1. Brisbane City Council Water Supply & Sewerage Detail Plans
2. Department of Natural Resources, Queensland Certificates of title and other records.
3. Minutes of the Ithaca Shire Council and Ithaca Town Council 1890-1917. MF roll 647
4. Ivan MacDonald architects. Ithaca Library Conservation Plan. 1995

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